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Shipping Weight and Value; Customs District and Continent

This report presents statistics on U.S. exports and imports by air in U.S. customs district by continent arrangement. Data have been compiled from Shipper's Export Declarations (Commerce Form 7525-V) and import entries during the regular processing of statistical data on foreign trade shipments. The customs districts shown in this report are those having combined exports and imports by air valued at \$2 million or more during the preceding calendar year. A complete list of customs districts and ports is presented in Schedule D, Classification of U.S. Customs Districts and Ports for U.S. Foreign Trade Statistics, January 1, 1970 edition, as amended.

Exports

These statistics represent exports of domestic and foreign merchandise combined and include government and nongovernment shipments of merchandise by air from the United States to foreign countries. statistics, therefore, include Department of Defense Military Assistance Program--Grant-Aid shipments, shipments for economic assistance under the Foreign Assistance Act, and shipments of agricultural commodities under P.L. 480 (The Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, as amended) and related laws. Shipments to U.S. Armed Forces and diplomatic missions abroad for their own use are not included in the export statistics. U.S. trade with Puerto Rico and U.S. possessions and trade between U.S. possessions are not included in this report, but exports from Puerto Rico to foreign countries are included as a part of the U.S. export statistics. Merchandise shipped through the United States in transit from one foreign country to another, when documented as such through U.S. Customs, is excluded. (Foreign merchandise that has entered the United States as an import and is subsequently reexported is not treated as in-transit merchandise, and is included in this report.) The figures in this report exclude exports of household and personal effects, shipments by mail and parcel post, and shipments of airplanes under their own power.

For security reasons, certain commodities are designated as Special Category commodities, for which security regulations place restrictions upon the export information that may be released. The data shown in this report for individual customs districts and continents exclude exports of Special Category commodities, but overall shipping weight and value totals for Special Category commodities are shown. A list of Special Category commodities may be obtained from the Bureau of the Census.

Effective September 1970, sampling procedures have been reinstituted for estimating data on shipments valued \$251-\$499 to countries other than Canada. (Data for such shipments were fully compiled during January-August 1970, but sampling procedures were in effect for these shipments during October-December 1969 and for shipments valued \$100-\$499 prior to October 1969.) Therefore, effective September 1970, the statistics on exports of domestic and foreign merchandise to countries other than Canada reflect fully compiled data for shipments valued \$500 and over combined with estimated data for shipments valued \$251-\$499, based on a 50-percent probability sample of such shipments. For exports to Canada there has been no change in compiling procedures and the statistics continue to reflect fully compiled data for shipments valued \$2,000 and over combined with estimated data for shipments valued \$251-\$1,999, based on a 10-percent probability sample of such shipments. Shipping weight and value data are also estimated for shipments valued under \$251. These estimates are not included in the data shown for individual customs districts.

Since the export figures shown include estimates based on a sample of low-valued shipments, they are subject to some degree of sampling variability. The following is a rough guide to the general level of sampling variability of value totals, on a 2 chances out of 3 basis. Usually, the higher value figures will have the lower percent sampling errors.

Value totals for			f cells riabili	
"Total" and "North America" of:	under 2%	under 5%	under 10%	under 20%
\$1,000,000 and over	.60	.75	.85	1.00
\$500,000-\$1,000,000	.20	1.00		
\$100,000-\$500,000	.30	.45	.70	1.00
\$20,000-\$100,000		.35	.70	1.00
Cells of under \$20,000	Are lik variab \$15,00	ility f	have sa	

Value totals for continents of South America, Europe, Asia, Australia and Oceania, and Africa of:	Are likely to have sampling variability of:
\$300,000 and over	Less than 2%
\$100,000-\$300,000	Less than 5% with over half of the totals less than 2%
\$20,000-\$100,000	Generally less than 10% with over half of the totals less than 5%
Under \$20,000	Generally \$500 to \$5,000
Cells of \$0	Generally less than \$500

The sampling variability of shipping weight figures, in percentage terms, can be approximated by the percent sampling variability of value.

Imports

These statistics represent general imports, which are a combination of imports for immediate consumption

and entries into bonded warehouses. The statistics include government as well as nongovernment shipments of merchandise by air from foreign countries to the United States, However, American goods returned by the U.S. Armed Forces for their own use are excluded. U.S. trade with Puerto Rico and with U.S. possessions and trade between U.S. possessions are not included in this report, but imports into Puerto Rico from foreign countries are considered to be U.S. imports and are included. Merchandise shipped through the United States in transit from one foreign country to another, when documented as such through U.S. Customs, is not reported as imports and is excluded from the data shown in this report. (Foreign merchandise that has entered the United States as an import and is subsequently reexported is not treated as in-transit merchandise and is included in this report.) Imports of household and personal effects, imports by mail and parcel post, and imports of airplanes under their own power are not included.

The statistics shown for individual customs districts represent fully compiled data for shipments valued \$251 and over. Data for shipments valued under \$251, reported on formal and informal entries (informal entries generally contain items valued under \$251), are estimated from a 1-percent sample. Separate shipping weight and value estimates for shipments valued under \$251 are shown. The shipping weight data are estimated from the values on the basis of constants that have been derived from an observation of the value-weight relationships in past periods.

Since the statistics showing total value of imports by all carriers include sample estimates, they are subject to sampling variability. In general, the higher value figures will have the lower percent sampling errors. Value totals of \$500,000 and over will generally have a sampling variability of less than 3 percent; value totals of under \$500,000 will generally have a sampling variability of less than \$50,000.

Table 1. Selected Customs Districts of Lading by Continent

(Data shown represent domestic and foreign merchandise. Shipments of Special Category commodities are excluded from all district and continent data. Estimated shipments valued under \$251 are excluded from all district data and data for U.S. flag carriers!

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			Shipp	ing weight	Shipping weight (1,000 pounds)	ds)					>	Value (1,000 dollars)	lollars)			
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Customs district	All	U.S. flag carriers	North America	South	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa	AII	U.S. flag carriers	North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa
Total, all carriers	87,503	(x)	22,394	9,851	37,190	13,176	1,966	2,010	596,350	(x)	84,864	38,222	309,643	122,878	14,599	10,977
U.S. flag carriers	(x)	32,396	9,578	3,355	11,204	6,892	583	317	(x)	209,863	36,329	10,940	93,985	56,709	3,914	2,670
St. Albans, Vt Boston, Mass Buffalo, N.Y	2,665	1,427	69 445 219	(Z)	2,121	1 99 6	20 20 - 20 - 20 - 20 - 20 - 20 - 20 - 2	122	21,206 2,437 2,437	10,855	2,046 2,405	29 29 13,544	18,075	488	409	159
Philadelphia, Pa	701	430	61	(Z)	497	119	2	19	6,715	3,149	259	9	5,025	1,060	225	140
Baltimore, Md. Savannah, Ga. Tampa, Fla. New Orleans, La. Laredo, Tex.	59 258 31 620 243	59 255 - 292 114	52 88 31 526 206	14168	7 163 (Z) -	(Z) (Z)	(z)	101111	162 737 123 1,310 1,020	162 729 - 476 326	135 180 122 1,227 604	52 - 81 17	27 258 1 1 25	1 6 - 375	litel	242
El Paso, Tex. Nogales, Ariz. Los Angeles, Calif San Francisco, Calif Portland, Oreg.	77 46 5,025 4,575	77 33 1,949 2,912	76 42 828 142 10	163 78 (Z)	(Z) - 1,561 318 81	2,022 3,367 (Z)	392 608	1 1 8 8 8 4	727 180 59,675 39,317 1,865	722 60 20,887 15,668 1,865	724 79 8,086 1,429	1,679	20,544 3,741 1,769	25,465 27,370 20	3,446	- 455 176 16
Seattle, Wash Anchorage, Alaska Honolulu, Hawaii Great Falls, Mont Pembina, N. Dak	771 28 567 10	595 12 421 10 (Z)	225 2 2 66 10 (Z)	01111	123 11 (Z) -	378 15 394	107	(Z)	8,353 317 1,722 156 137	6,134 155 1,156 156	1,615 3 15 156	0 IIII	1,606 33 23 23 133	4,771 281 814 -	869	217
Minnespolis, Minn. Duluth, Minn. Detroit, Mich. Chicago, 111. Cleveland, Ohio	336 8 1,302 7,583	286 8 1,069 3,685	147 8 270 2,089 309	1 3 88 1	75 945 4,287 50	114 - 34 1,009	100	(Z) - 15 144 (Z)	4,194 33 6,271 47,375 2,589	2,247 33 5,182 21,308 794	806 33 1,427 13,555 1,833	51 42	2,161 4,508 25,847 553	1,221 - 135 7,004 196	74 128 3	7 1 800
St. Louis, Mo. San Juan, P.R. Miani, Fla. Houston, Tex.	3 864 14,054 652 820	3 547 6,684 277 236	3 779 7,714 248	6,148 19 100	11 181 122 708	11855	(Z) 37	(Z) 3 137 2	2,238 35,419 3,244 15,509	26 976 14,318 1,373 1,321	26 1,373 15,242 1,219 1,219	475 18,975 69 875	352 958 740 14,493	148 608	18 45	38 79 563 29
All other districts Shipments under \$251 Special Category	197 9,866 917	131 (NA) 467	15 4,279 (D)	111 844 (D)	2,540 (D)	38 1,502 (D)	31 438 (D)	60 263 (D)	927 20,774 15,167	849 (NA) 5,317	31 7,316 (D)	1,756 (D)	166 6,869 (D)	415 2,928 D	257 937 (D)	14 968 D)
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Z Less than 500 pounds or \$500.

X Not applicable.

NA Not available.

- Represents zero.

U.S. GENERAL IMPORTS BY AIR

(Estimated shipments valued under \$251 are excluded from all district data and data for U.S. flag carriers. Total columns include a small amount of shipments which are unidentified by continent)

Table 2. Selected Customs Districts of Unlading by Continent

			Shipp	ing weight	Shipping weight (1,000 pounds)	(S)					>	Value (1,000 dollars)	follars)			
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Customs district	All	U.S. flag carriers	North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Ausualia and Oceania	Africa	AII carriers	U.S. flag carriers	North America	South	Europe	Asia	and Oceania	Africa
Total, all carriers	88,557	(x)	8,770	806,5	42,423	30,769	507	159	398,947	(x)	25,478	10,564	220,150	130,634	2,775	9,323
U.S. flag carriers	(x)	41,782	3,343	2,815	16,704	18,635	249	36	(x)	189,533	10,519	5,027	90,627	80,702	1,334	1,323
St. Albans, Vt	83	11	53	ı	29	1	1	'	124	94	47	'	77	'	-1	1
Boston, Mass	3,204	1,564	331	28	2,785	09	(z)	(z)	11,752	6,126	802	97	10,643	204	4	8
Buffalo, N.Y New York City, N.Y	122 41,768 656	17,219	108	2,593	29,753 634	(2) 8,522 14	128	106	215,900	1,333 85,922 4,457	3,523	6,609	158,478 5,148	38,306	848	8,136 872
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Tampa, Fla	6	2	7	1	П	-	ı	•	12	6	41	1	25	S	1	s
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Honolulu, Hawaii	1,706	1,017	28	1	9	1,639	33	1	5,290	2,656	44	'	399	4,746	102	ı
Great Falls, Mont	2 4	15	4 5	1 1	(%)	1 1	1 1	H 1	193	188	193	1 1	(Z)	1 1	1 1	- 1
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Minnespolis, Minn	269	134	4 -	(Z)	158	108			1,219	130	82 -	(7)	821	906		
Detroit Mich	1.424	1.110	268	,	816	40	1	(Z)	4.134	2,919	852	'	3,068		1	(Z)
Chicago, III	4,380	2,111	274	24	2,872	1,193	4	14	28,014	13,858	4,562	222	17,178	5,	78	150
Cleveland, Ohio	06	13	35	1	55	(z)	1	1	529	103	254	ı	273	N	1	1
St. Louis, Mo	S	4	(z)	1	4	1	1	1 -	98	48	1.7	'	63	9	1	1
San Juan, P.R	2,231	413	1,821	294	111	ın	1	(Z)	2,090	537	1,019	368	189	19	1	2 0
Miami, Fla	5,879	3,319	2,822	2,711	113	160	1 1	(Z)	8,651	4,650	4,519	2,476	1,292	365		36
Washington, D.C	631	584	5	2 (2)	610	17	1	-	3,333	3,139	22	26	3,231	47	1	7
All other districts	266	153	13	1	247	ıs.	1	1	2,405	1,594	141	2	2,212	48	1 0	1 0
Shipments under \$251	5,194	(NA)	1,031	184	2,503	1,333	97	26	6,332	(NA)	1,258	225	3,051	1,025	110	32